



MORLET *Family Vineyards*

2017 'COUP DE CŒUR' CHARDONNAY (96 - 99 POINTS)

From Old Wente clone fruit, the 2017 'Coup de Cœur' is a selection of the finest barrels. It simply sings of candied ginger, lemon meringue pie, key lime, honeydew melon and baker's yeast with touches of cashews, allspice and oyster shell. Medium to full-bodied, the palate reveals a wonderful racy line cutting through the concentrated, complex flavors, finishing very long and mineral laced.

2017 'MA PRINCESSE' CHARDONNAY (95 - 98 POINTS)

From Old Wente clones planted on Goldridge soils, the 2017 'Ma Princesse' gives up super intense, preserved lemons, chalk dust, struck flint and lime leaves notes with touches of pie crust, mandarin peel, pink grapefruit and marzipan. Full-bodied, wonderfully concentrated and demonstrating bags of nuances, it's complimented by fantastic freshness, finishing very long and very savory.

2017 'MA DOUCE' CHARDONNAY (96 - 99 POINTS)

The 2017 'Ma Douce' comes from Old Wente clone vines in Fort Ross-Seaview, located on the second ridge in from the ocean at 1,300-1,500 feet in elevation and planted on Goldridge soils. Pow! It bursts out of the glass with the most profound, exotic fruit scents—pineapple, guava, passion fruit and mango—with nuances of honeycomb, candied citrus peel and lemon drops plus a waft of fresh ginger. Full-bodied, rich and opulent in the mouth, the palate explodes with tropical and spicy layers, framed by great freshness and finishing long and zesty.

2017 'JOLI CŒUR' PINOT NOIR (94 - 96 POINTS)

This is made from the best section of the 'Côteaux Nobles' vineyard on the second ridge in from the ocean, which produces smaller berry and cluster sizes. The 2017 'Joli Cœur' is medium to deep ruby-purple colored and a little closed to begin, offering delicate Bing cherries, cranberries and pomegranate with wafts of dried roses, Ceylon tea and wet pebbles. Medium-bodied and refreshing, with a frame of fine, grainy tannins, it has loads of subtle flavors and a long mineral-laced finish.

2017 'EN FAMILLE' PINOT NOIR (92 - 94+ POINTS)

From a vineyard planted on Goldridge soils in 1990, the 2017 'En Famille' is medium to deep ruby-purple colored and has a very pretty nose of mossy bark, raspberry leaves, rose hip tea and strawberry preserves with wafts of chanterelles and cinnamon stick. Medium-bodied and delicately played with a lively line of freshness and a light chew of tannins, it gives a nice long, earthy finish.

2017 'CÔTEAUX NOBLES' PINOT NOIR (93 - 95 POINTS)

The 2017 'Côteaux Nobles' comes from 26-year-old vines located at 1,000-1,250 feet on the second ridge in from the ocean. Medium ruby-purple colored, it gives up notes of wild strawberries, kirsch and raspberry preserves plus hints of baking spices, forest floor and black tea. Medium-bodied, fine, refreshing and elegant, finishing long and earthy.

2017 'BOUQUET GARNI' SYRAH (94 - 96POINTS)

The 2017 'Bouquet Garni' is composed of 100% Syrah from three clones planted on Goulding cobbling clay loam at 600 feet in elevation, fermented one-third in puncheons and two-thirds in stainless steel. Deep garnet-purple colored, it opens with warm red and black plums, Black Forest cake and wild blueberry scents with hints of black pepper, bay leaves and violets. Medium to full-bodied, it delivers loads of elegant, expressive black fruits in the mouth, with soft, rounded tannins and a compelling herbal lift on the long finish.

2016 'COUP DE CŒUR' CHARDONNAY 98+ POINTS

The 2016 'Coup de Cœur' comes from Old Wente clones and is a selection of the finest barrels. It's just a little shy at this very young stage, with the nose revealing subtle allspice, powder ginger and yuzu scents with a core of peach tart, orange blossoms, crushed rocks and lime cordial. Full-bodied and absolutely packed with tightly wound layers of citrus and stone fruits, it has a fantastic backbone of crisp freshness injecting incredible tension and carrying the flavors to an epically long finish. This will be incredibly long lived.

2016 'MA PRINCESSE' CHARDONNAY 97 POINTS

The 2016 'Ma Princesse' comes from Old Wente clone vines in the Ritchie vineyard in Russian River. It hits the ground running with bold notions of pineapple, white peaches and green guava plus suggestions of almond croissant and popcorn plus a waft of honeysuckle. Full-bodied, rich and decadent in the mouth, it has a wonderfully creamy texture and bags of tropical fruit and savory layers, finishing long and layered.

2016 'MA DOUCE' CHARDONNAY 95+ POINTS

The 2016 'Ma Douce' is from a vineyard in Fort Ross-Seaview not far from Marcassin, on the second ridge in from the ocean and located at 1,300-1,500 feet in elevation. The vines are Old Wente clones planted on Goldridge soils. It begins a little youthfully reticent, opening out to notes of warm peaches, grapefruit, pear tart and toasted almond with hints of baking bread and chalk dust. Medium to full-bodied, the palate has a beautifully satiny texture with a racy line lifting the savory layers to a nice long finish.

2016 'JOLI CŒUR' PINOT NOIR 99 POINTS

This is made from the best section of the 'Côteaux Nobles' vineyard on the second ridge in from the ocean, which produces smaller berry and cluster sizes. Medium ruby-purple-colored, the 2016 'Joli Cœur' reveals seductive exotic spices, raspberry pie and candied violets scents with a core of chocolate-covered cherries and tilled soil plus a waft of truffles. Full-bodied, super concentrated and impactful in the mouth, it has a solid frame of velvety tannins and an epically long finish.

2016 'EN FAMILLE' PINOT NOIR 95 POINTS

From a vineyard planted on Goldridge soils in 1990, the medium to deep ruby-purple colored 2016 'En Famille' features wonderfully provocative scents of roses, lavender and cinnamon stick over a core of redcurrants and ripe raspberries with a waft of fungi. Full-bodied with a firm, very fine-grained frame, it has an electric line of freshness and red berry layers, finishing very long and very perfumed.

2016 'CÔTEAUX NOBLES' PINOT NOIR 95 POINTS

The 2016 'Côteaux Nobles' comes from 26-year-old vines located at 1,000-1,250 feet on the second ridge in from the ocean. Medium to deep ruby-purple colored, it simply sings of crushed black cherries, black raspberries and kirsch notes plus nuances of underbrush, violets and chocolate box. Medium to full-bodied, the palate packs a real punch of bold, expressive black cherry and oral layers, framed by plush, fine-grained tannins and finishing long and vibrant.

2016 'BOUQUET GARNI' SYRAH 95+ POINTS

The 2016 'Bouquet Garni' is composed of 100% Syrah from three clones planted on Goulding cobbling clay loam at 600 feet in elevation, fermented one-third in puncheons and two-thirds in stainless steel. Deep purple-black colored, it gives up notes of dried herbs, tar, black cherries and baked plums with touches of smoked meats and tapenade. Full-bodied, firm and grainy, it delivers mouth-filling black fruit and earthy layers with a very long, pepper-laced finish.